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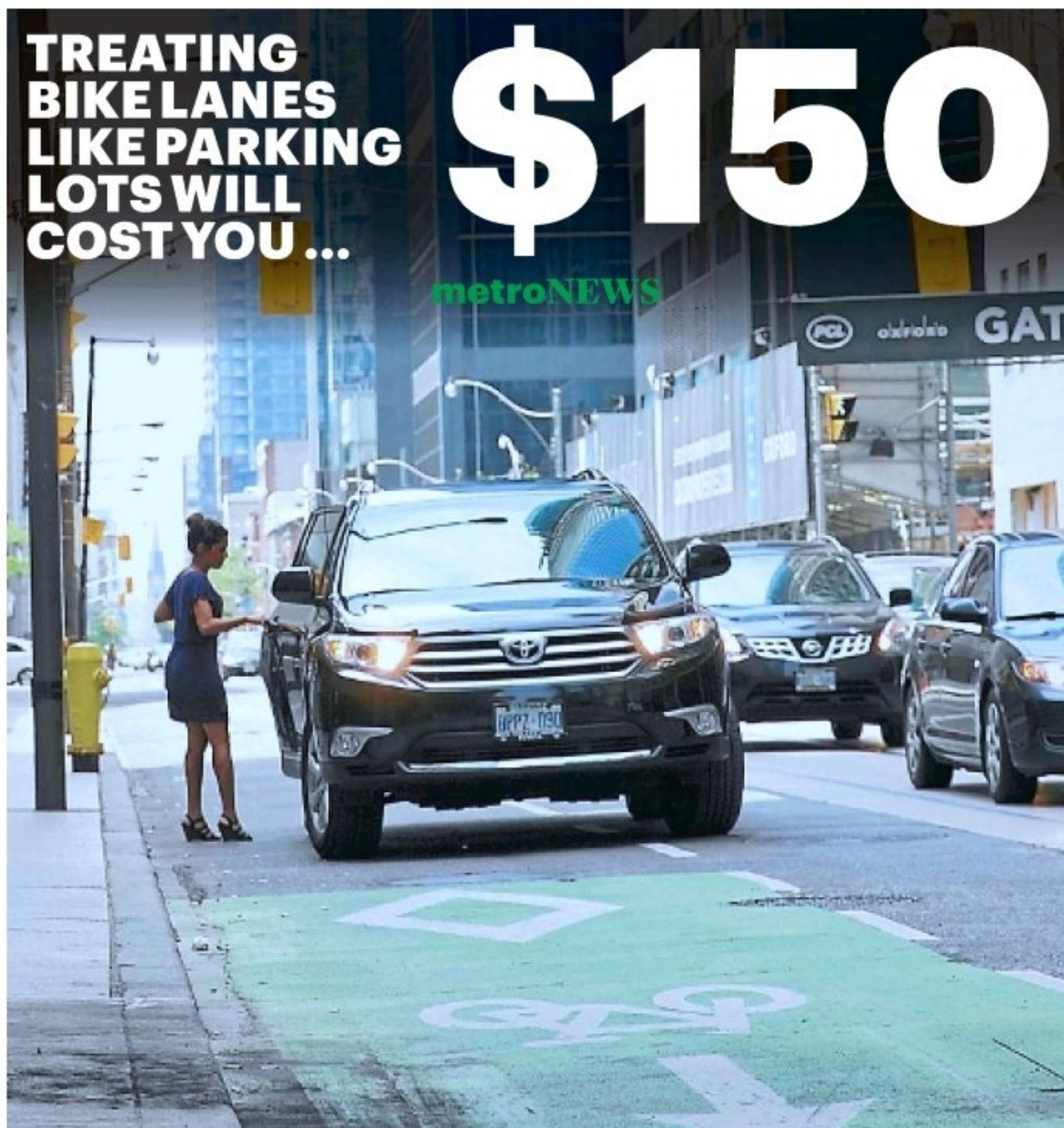
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UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Convocation readers join pronunciation boot camp



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Teenu Sanjeevan doesn't want a few skewed syllables to ruin her graduation day.

The PhD candidate in speech pathology at the University of Toronto will be graduating in November, and she's hoping no one mumbles her name as she walks across the big stage.

"Your name is you. Your name defines who you really are as a person," she said.

"You've worked very hard to get to that day, so mispronouncing your name kind of brings down your achievement."

Summer convocation at the U of T starts Tuesday and the school is taking extra steps to make sure students like Sanjeevan — whose name is Sri Lankan — can celebrate their accomplishments without listening to someone garble their name.

Dozens of convocation readers are participating in a pronunciation boot camp, learning how to say names from other languages and cultures.

It's all about showing respect

to the students and their families, said Christina Kramer, a professor of Slavic and Balkan languages who's helping train the announcers.

"The university is made up of students from everywhere and it's our responsibility to value that diversity," she said. "It's only three seconds but everyone loves to hear their names read correctly."

Unlike words you can look up in a phonetic dictionary, each family name requires meticulous study, Kramer said. She'll be reading out about 400 names at this week's convocation, and there are at least 60 she's yet to wrap her tongue around.

The key, she said, is patience and confidence in the task at hand.

"Long names are just syllables following one another. There's no cause for alarm," she said.



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Humans of Toronto by K. Omar



“My dad died a little less than a month ago. He used to love to call me on these big bright days and ask if I was enjoying the sunshine. It would always make me roll my eyes. These days, I'd give anything to have him call me up to talk about the weather.”

Humans of Toronto is K. Omar's social photography project aimed at photographing and talking to people in the city. Selections from her work feature weekly in Metro. See more at Humans of Toronto on Instagram.

Experts criticize pot dispensary raids

REGULATION

Councillor, doctor say crackdown the wrong approach



May Warren
Metro | Toronto

As the city cracks down on marijuana dispensaries, a Toronto doctor who prescribes pot to her patients says the move unfairly stigmatizes the drug's medical use.

“We've created fear again in the public,” Dr. Sana-Ara Ahmed said in the wake of last week's police raids that saw 91 people arrested and more than 250 criminal charges laid. “This is absolutely wrong. It's medicine.”

The raids, which targeted 43 locations across the city, are raising questions for people like Ahmed and drawing stark comparisons with Vancouver, where pot dispensaries are being managed through licensing. Cities across the country are left in a grey area now that Ottawa has vowed to legalize marijuana, Ahmed said, and it's time for a larger “conversation about a regulatory approach.”

“But to go in arbitrarily shut down everybody because they don't know who's who, is unfair,” she added.

Vancouver has approached marijuana “like we would a liquor



Toronto police show off products seized from the Project Claudia raids on marijuana dispensaries last week. CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

store,” said city Coun. Kerry Jang.

Jang spearheaded the city's licensing movement, which includes regulations that prohibit shops from operating within 300 metres of schools, selling to kids and selling edible pot products like brownies. “We knew that some kind of crackdown wouldn't work because even when you do crack down they pop up somewhere else, like a pimple,” Jang said. “Our cops only went after those dispensaries in which there was a good case for organized crime or marketing to children.”

Only about 20 of the city's 100 pot dispensaries met the requirements when they were passed. Many are now closing voluntarily and looking for different locations, the councillor said.

Jang said Mayor John Tory's office reached out to him a few weeks ago to talk about Vancouver's approach. He was surprised to hear of the raids and questioned the approach.

“What are you trying to achieve here, besides saying it was illegal?” WITH FILES FROM TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE AND THE CANADIAN PRESS

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— Police said the dispensaries raided had been identified as “trafficking in marijuana outside of the marijuana-for-medical-use regulations.”

— The raids nabbed more than 279 kilograms of marijuana, plus hundreds of kilos in pot edibles and extract oils.

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Transit through the ages

HISTORY

Entrepreneur plans to create a museum for TTC relics



Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

No one is quite sure why relics from Toronto's transit past are being stored under lock and key in Ottawa.

But one Toronto entrepreneur wants to bring them home.

Trevor Parkins has learned vintage vehicles belonging to the TTC and its predecessor, the Toronto Railway Company, are in storage at the Canada Science and Technology Museum in the capital.

"Somewhere in the 1960s the TTC decided they weren't in the museum business, and they shipped these relics out to Ottawa," said Parkins, who runs a media production company in Toronto.

The vehicles include the city's first horse-drawn streetcar, the TTC's first double-decker bus, introduced in 1921, and a pair of horse-drawn buses that were roaming Yonge Street as early as 1849.

They were once on display in the museum, but Parkins says they've been in storage for decades. The museum is currently closed for renovations until 2017.

Parkins says the old transit trolleys are too historic to be hidden away from the public. He's campaigning to have them



The 1921 double-decker, one of the many first motorized buses to hit Toronto's streets. ALL PHOTOS COURTESY TREVOR PARKINS



The 1921 double-decker, one of the many first motorized buses to hit Toronto's streets.

brought back to Toronto so they can be placed in a local museum.

"They are part of Toronto's history, not Ottawa history," he said. "I really think the TTC could bring them back and run

a touristic attraction for them, if they wanted."

However, TTC spokesperson Brad Ross said the TTC has no record of heritage vehicles belonging to the TTC in storage



The 1892 Toronto Railway Company closed streetcar.

in Ottawa — or anywhere else for that matter.

"Vehicles are decommissioned and purchased as scrap — and have been for years," he said in an email. "Where they go after

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The vehicles are part of Toronto's history.

Trevor Parkins

decommissioning isn't something we track."

That hasn't deterred Parkins, who says he's received quotes on how much it would cost to ship the old vehicles to Toronto. The obstacle, he says, is finding a place to put them.

"Once I find a location that can house this museum, I will be promoting this campaign like crazy," he said.

GUN CRIME

Riverdale cat shot and killed

A cat has died after being shot in a Riverdale home.

Police say they received a call around 2:40 p.m. from a woman who came home from a night out with friends to find bullet holes in her front door.

When she entered her home, located near First and Logan avenues, she found her pet cat had been shot.

Police rushed the cat to an emergency veterinarian, where it was said to be "alive but injured."

The cat later succumbed to its injuries. Police say they are canvassing the area to determine the circumstances around the shooting. They are not releasing the name of the homeowner.

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IN BRIEF

Police search for second vehicle in two-car shooting

Toronto police are searching for another vehicle after tracking down the first involved in a two-car shoot-out in North York.

Police responded to the Lawrence Avenue W. and Sherbourne Avenue area on Thursday. People in two vehicles were reportedly shooting at each other. One of the two cars has been found, but police are still on the lookout for a four-door white sedan.

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Curbing 'crazy' congestion

WALKABILITY SUMMIT

Councillor calls for end to 'bad habit' of driving kids to school



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Coun. Mary-Margaret McMahon says it's time for parents in the Beach neighbourhood to kick the "bad habit" of driving their kids to school.

"I get calls from constituents about all the crazy driving and parking around schools," she said, noting schools in her ward have become sites of "unnecessary and unsafe" congestion.

To tackle the problem, McMahon is hosting a Walkability Summit in Ward 32 Monday.

A group of panelists — including chief planner Jennifer Keesmaat, and representatives from Walk Toronto, Cycle Toronto, the CAA and Toronto Public Health — will engage the public about the benefits of ditching the car and adopting active transportation.

McMahon described "horrific" scenes outside local schools as parents in cars compete for limited pick-up and drop-off space.

Some parents have been ticketed for parking in hazardous ways, she said, including parking on the sidewalk,



A sign urging drivers to slow down sits on a lawn near Duke of Connaught School in the Beach. Local councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon is urging parents to have their kids walk to school to cut down on "unnecessary and unsafe" congestion near schools. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

leaving their cars running as they dash into schools, or even driving on the wrong side of the road.

To curb the trend, McMahon wants to organize "walking school buses" where parents

escort groups of children to and from school on foot.

If it's successful, McMahon believes the model could be applied elsewhere in the city, helping to improve road safety and child health outcomes.

"That is the cultural mind shift that will help us fight child obesity," she said. "I think it's a win-win all around, and it teaches kids to be responsible too."

"I think it's a win-win all around and it teaches kids to be responsible too. Mary-Margaret McMahon

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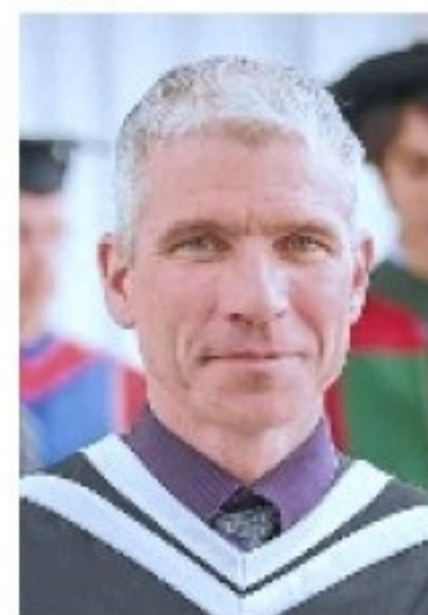
Gender identification options added to registration forms

Students applying to Ontario universities for 2017 will have the option of identifying as male, female or "another gender identity" when filling out forms.

Ray Darling, the University of Waterloo registrar, said he began investigating the issue after a student came to his office last fall, wanting to change the individual's gender on university records, "and I realized the options we had were female and male ... and that caused me to look into how we collected this data, and I realized we got it from the Ontario Universities' Application Centre," the province's application clearing-house.

"It asked students to identify as male or female, and it was a mandatory field," he added.

Now, when students begin to fill out forms to start post-secondary studies starting in the fall of next year, the field



Ray Darling CONTRIBUTED

will no longer be required, and will also offer the third option.

Starting in 2018, the "another gender identity" choice will include an open text field underneath, should students wish to be more specific.

"A big part of this is just affirming for them, their identity, and for our sake going to give us data we haven't had in the past," to better serve all students, said Darling.

Because university applications are handled centrally, there are rules about altering them, so a provincial working group was created with Darling as chair.

The group considered listing specific terms such as transgender, but did not want anyone to feel excluded.

"We looked at what's most appropriate and we tried to cover all the possible options, but (thought) we might be missing some, and it's constantly evolving, so we used 'another gender identity' as an umbrella term for the first year, knowing we would have a free-form text box after the first year."

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City readies bike-lane blitz

TRAFFIC

Ticketing of parked or idle motorists is 'long overdue'



Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

The city is celebrating Bike Month by ticketing drivers who treat bike lanes like parking lots.

Starting Monday, the city is launching a week-long enforcement blitz aimed at curbing drivers stopping in cycle tracks.

"It's long overdue. Parking and stopping in bike lanes is a problem that's out of control on many streets in Toronto," said Cycle Toronto director Jared Kolb.

Cars stopped in bike lanes — even if only for a few seconds — force cyclists into traffic and increase the likelihood of a collision, Kolb said.

"I think drivers see it as a matter of convenience, but at the end of the day, convenience can't trump safety."

The enforcement campaign



Cyclists **Arnika Tamatoa**, left, and **Zach Aburaneh** say they avoid biking on Adelaide Street because so many cars stop in the cycle lane. Come Monday, the city is launching a blitz aimed at drivers who park or stop in bike lanes. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

coincides with Bike to Work Day on May 30 and the start of Bike Month in June.

City staff have taken to social media to ask cyclists where the problem is most acute. Based on feedback so far, the Adelaide Street cycle track is a common spot for scofflaw parkers.

"I don't use Adelaide," said



It's dangerous everywhere. No bike lane is safe.

Zach Aburaneh

Zach Aburaneh, cycling through downtown Sunday. "It's one of the worst areas because there's so many stopping cabs."

Delivery trucks blocking the lane during the morning commute is also a common complaint.

A courier loading zone is in effect after 10 a.m. along a stretch

\$150

The amount you may have to shell out for parking in a bicycle lane.

of Adelaide Street W., but despite the city's purported zero-tolerance policy, cyclists say it's common to see trucks parked there earlier.

"If someone is camped out, that's a bit of a problem. But if they're getting in and out, that's cool," said cyclist Mike Carter.

The fine for stopping in a bicycle lane was recently increased from \$60 to \$150. However, Kolb said that for the blitz to be effective, the city should be "tagging and towing" anyone caught in a bike lane.

"The city needs to send a strong message that drivers are endangering cyclists when they pull over in the lanes," he said.

WITH FILES FROM LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

MISSISSAUGA

Car chase videos released

Peel police have several video angles to help their investigation after a dramatic chase was captured on camera by onlookers in Mississauga.

Videos uploaded to YouTube on Thursday show the chase, which ended in the arrest of a 23-year-old man.

The incident happened at around 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday and began with officers trying to pull over a black pickup truck that had failed to stop for police near Burnhamthorpe Road and Hurontario Street.

The truck was driving erratically and at one point was driving on a wheel rim after one of its tires was damaged.

Two police cars and one civilian vehicle were also damaged.

The truck finally came to a halt when it crashed into a light pole. The driver then climbed out of the window before being tackled by officers.

Daniel Rahimi, 23, of Mississauga, faces charges of flight from police, escaping lawful custody, impaired driving and excess blood alcohol.

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"The feedback was that the PATH was difficult to use," says a BIA official. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

Travelling a PATH to easy navigation

UNDERGROUND

Improvement to signage underway for shopping zone



May Warren
Metro | Toronto

Some relief is on the way for confused commuters and off-track tourists.

An improvement to PATH signage is in the works. Details are being kept under tight wraps, but will be announced Tuesday, said Tim Kocur, communications manager with the Toronto Financial District Business Improvement Area.

The BIA led development of the new tool for Toronto's network of underground tunnels following a public survey and

consultations.

"The feedback was that the PATH was difficult to use," Kocur said.

It's far from a secret in Toronto. The city's PATH master plan, developed back in 2012, notes many people using the network for the first time have trouble finding their way, and notes that connections between the PATH and the street are often difficult to find and not well-marked.

An economic impact study of the PATH will also be presented Tuesday. It's expected to examine how new signs could help existing businesses attract more customers.

Andre Vassi, owner of Vassi Fine Menswear at First Canadian Place, has been on the PATH for 19 years and is well aware of the confusion people face.

"Many times I'm like a tour guide, telling people how to get from A to B to Z," he said. "It's a big maze if you don't know

your way around."

Even long-time Torontonians sometimes get lost.

"It's raining and they want to get to Eaton Centre for example," Vassi said.

"They have no idea how to get there, because as simple as it is, it is not that simple."

Sharon Lim, an employee at Godiva Chocolatier in the Royal Bank Plaza, said people often come into the store lost.

"I think you have to write directions," she said. "Because it's confusing back here."

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The PATH system is the largest underground shopping complex in the world, according to the Guinness Book of World Records, connecting about 1,200 businesses.

SOCIAL MEDIA

City hall seeks 'digital native'



Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

Think your Twitter game is stronger than @norm's?

Under the auspice of Mayor John Tory, the city is offering one lucky "digital native" the chance to steer Toronto's social media accounts.

The social media residency program is a two-month, paid position spanning July and

August. Applicants must be familiar with Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram and Facebook.

"There's so much talent in this city and I want to tap into that to help showcase the best of Toronto through social media," Tory said in a statement Sunday.

The deadline to apply is June 6. Once all the applications have been received, a panel including Tory, chief planner Jennifer Keesmaat and Twitter-famous councillor Norm Kelly will pick the successful candidate.



Norm Kelly's Twitter. SCREENSHOT

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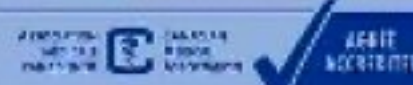
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Convention a gag and more

POLITICS

Former Liberal leader Bob Rae apologizes for his 'joke'

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau offered rare praise Saturday for Conservative predecessor Stephen Harper but at least one Liberal elder statesman found it a bit hard to swallow.

Bob Rae was caught on video sticking two fingers in his mouth, pretending to gag.

The former interim Liberal leader later refused to comment on his gesture, which was caught on video by a reporter for The Canadian Press.

However later he posted an apology on Twitter calling it "a joke in poor taste that I regret very much."

The video, posted on Twitter, quickly made the rounds at the Liberal national convention, provoking both hilarity and consternation.

Rae's gag reflex was stimulated during a speech by Trudeau to the convention, the first such gathering since the



PM Justin Trudeau holds six-month-old Finn Lipka prior at the 2016 Liberal Biennial Convention in Winnipeg on Saturday. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Liberals defeated Harper's Conservatives in last fall's election.

After taking a few pokes at the Tories, who were simultaneously holding their own convention in Vancouver, Trudeau turned serious.

"We need to remember that even though they may be our opponents, they're not our enemies. They're our neigh-

bours and our friends," he said. "So, I want to take a moment. You see, there are only a handful of people alive who know what it's like to do this job ... And I can tell you, even if you weren't a fan of his politics, there can be no doubting Stephen Harper's commitment to our country."

Trudeau asked Liberals to

join him in thanking Harper, who has let it be known he will retire from politics over the summer, for "his many years of public service."

Trudeau was not all sweetness and light when it came to the Conservatives, however.

He also noted that the Tories had been debating at their convention whether to delete

the party's policy on marriage being the union between one man and one woman.

"Among other things, they're debating the merits of marriage equality. In 2016. More than a decade after we made same-sex marriage legal in Canada," Trudeau said to gales of laughter.

"Well, better late than never, right? Who knows, ten years from now they might finally be willing to admit that climate change is real. Or that tax cuts for rich people don't help the middle class. Or that government shouldn't legislate what women are allowed to wear on their heads."

The Conservatives voted Saturday to drop the sections of its policy opposing same-sex marriage. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Bob Rae makes a gag motion at praise for Stephen Harper. THE CANADIAN PRESS

GAY MARRIAGE

'It's about freedom and respect'

Conservatives emerged from a spirited convention Saturday, ties to many of their past policies and politics severed after days of debate that many say is proof that the party is on the rebound.

The party wiped a policy opposing same-sex marriage off its books Saturday and adopted another supporting a more permissive approach to marijuana after two and a half days of introspection and intense public debate.

"It's a demonstration of the maturation of our party," former Tory cabinet minister Peter MacKay said.

The vote followed emotional debates in policy workshops Friday and on the floor Saturday with some social conservatives arguing that any leadership candidate who supported it would automatically lose their vote.

That didn't faze candidate and MP Maxime Bernier, who spoke in favour of the motion from the convention floor.

"It's about freedom and respect. It's about us and telling Canadians that you can love who you want and that you can be in love," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

FORT MCMURRAY

Expert warns of rate rise, but insurer insists that won't happen



Kevin Maimann
Metro | Edmonton

Record-breaking insurance payouts after the Fort McMurray wildfire could lead to higher premiums according to one expert, but Alberta's largest insurer insists it has no plans to raise rates.

Anne Marie Thomas, an insurance expert with InsuranceHotline.com, said companies should have no problem paying out policy holders but will likely

face higher premiums from the re-insurance companies that protect them from large-scale losses.

"That, the majority of the time, gets passed along to the policy holder, being folks like you and I," Thomas said.

Rates could go up across Canada as a result, and new limits might be placed on certain types of coverage. For example, she said, after floods devastated some Alberta communities several years ago, many insurance companies increased the premiums for water damage coverage or limited the amount that they

would pay out in the future.

Insurance companies could also increase deductibles for home insurance.

With tens of thousands of residents being displaced by the Fort McMurray blaze for almost an entire month, Thomas says there could be changes made to additional living expenses in future policies.

"We could see changes to that coverage. If that's where insurers spent the majority of their claims payout, then that's where you might see the increase or the limits on coverage," she said.

Rosa Nelson, vice president of sales and business development with Intact — Alberta's largest insurer — said the company is looking at a net loss of \$130 million to \$160 million after tax, including reinstatement premiums.

Intact subsidiaries insure about 3,300 customers in Fort McMurray, but Nelson said customers should not worry about their rates going up.

"Events like that make us look

\$742M

The current highest insurance payout as a result of the Slave Lake fires.

at the product, but we don't go and then carte blanche raise rates for everybody across the province," she said.

The Fort McMurray fire could result in a total insurance payout between \$2.6 billion and \$9 billion, according to a report released earlier this month by BMO Capital Markets, which would be far-and-away a Canadian record.

The current highest payout was \$742 million as a result of

the 2011 Slave Lake wildfires, after which insurers took years to settle all their claims.

Nelson said Intact did not raise deductibles or premiums as a reaction to the Slave Lake blaze.

The company did, however, start working more closely with government on how and where communities are rebuilt, as well as what kinds of materials are used to build new homes.

"We've got some smart people who are able to ensure that we can cover events like this and it doesn't impact our financial stability," Nelson said.

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Daesh data reveals profile of recruits

TERRORISM

Majority of recruits from Saudi Arabia

Entry date. Blood type. DOB and Nationality. Education. Employment. Would you like to be a fighter, martyr, security guard or administrator?

These are the questions Daesh recruits answer on an entry form when joining the group. Bureaucracy is not something that leaps to mind when thinking of terrorists, but Daesh has proven meticulous in its record-keeping and data entry.

In recent months, Daesh defectors have been leaking these to journalists and academics, providing an intriguing snapshot of who joins the group and how. One database, which lists more than 4,000 members, including information on 16 Canadians, was shared by researcher Amarnath Amarasingam and analyzed by Toronto Star data specialist Andrew

1988
The average birth year of Daesh recruits, meaning most were 25 or 26 when they arrived in Syria.

Bailey. The most striking information gleaned is the vast diversity of recruits, debunking theories that there is a common Daesh profile.

Of the 4,078 entries, the average birth year is 1988, which means most recruits were 25 or 26 when they arrived in Syria between 2013 and 2014, the period covered by the database. But more than 770 recruits are under the age of 21.

The number of recruits going to Syria peaked in July 2014, after Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi declared the group's caliphate.

The categories that list recruiters and those who facilitate travel would likely be valuable intelligence for law enforcement agencies trying to stem the flow of fighters.

The name Abu Muhammad

770
More than 770 Daesh recruits are under the age of 21, according to the database.

al-Shimali is listed in more than 1,000 entries as a facilitator. While this is a kunya, or nickname, and difficult to confirm an identity, there is a well-known Daesh member who goes by that name and is being sought in connection with the 2015 Paris attacks.

The U.S. State Department's Rewards for Justice program lists 36-year-old Saudi citizen Tirad al-Jarba, known as Abu Muhammad al-Shimali, as the leader of the "Immigration and Logistics Committee," and is responsible for facilitating the travel of foreign fighters.

The majority of recruits in the database are from Saudi Arabia, but Tunisians make up the largest percentage per population.

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Filmon Selomon, right, Mabtom Tekle, center, and Awad Weldemariam look at the sea during an interview, in Sicily, Italy, on Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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REFUGEE CRISIS

Fear for lives of 700 people in

Survivor accounts have pushed to more than 700 the number of refugees feared dead in Mediterranean Sea shipwrecks over three days in the past week, even as rescue ships saved thousands of others in daring operations.

The shipwrecks appear to account for the largest loss of life reported in the Mediterranean since April 2015, when a single ship sank with an estimated 800 people trapped inside. Humanitar-

ian organizations say that many migrant boats sink without a trace, with the dead never found, and their fates only recounted by family members who report their failure to arrive in Europe.

"It really looks like that in the last period the situation is really worsening in the last week, if the news is confirmed," said Giovanna Di Benedetto, a Save the Children spokeswoman in Italy.

Warmer waters and calmer

weather of late have only increased the refugees' attempts to reach Europe.

The largest number of missing and presumed dead was aboard a wooden fishing boat being towed by another smugglers' boat from the Libyan port of Sabratha that sank Thursday. Estimates by police and humanitarian organizations, based on survivor accounts, range from around 400 to about 550 missing in that sinking alone.

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Mediterranean Sea shipwreck

One survivor from Eritrea, 21-year-old Filmon Selomon, told The Associated Press that water started seeping into the second boat after three hours of navigation, and that the migrants tried vainly to get the water out of the sinking boat.

"It was very hard because the water was coming from everywhere. We tried for six hours after which we said it was not possible anymore," he said through an

interpreter.

He jumped into the water and swam to the other boat before the tow line on the navigable boat was cut to prevent it from sinking when the other went down.

A 17-year-old Eritrean, Mohammed Ali Imam, who arrived five days ago in another rescue, said one of the survivors told him that the second boat started taking on water when the first boat ran out of fuel.

Police said the line, which was ordered cut by the commander when it was at full tension, whipped back, fatally slashing the neck of a female migrant.

According to Italian police, 300 people in the hold went down with the second boat when it sank, while around 200 on the upper deck jumped into the sea. Just 90 of those were saved, along with about 500 in the first boat.

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CINCINNATI ZOO

Shooting gorilla 'a tough choice'

Panicked zoo visitors watched helplessly and shouted, "Stay calm!" while one woman yelled, "Mommy loves you!" as a 400-pound-plus gorilla loomed over a four-year-old boy who had fallen into a shallow moat at the Cincinnati Zoo.

The boy sat still in the water, looking up at the gorilla as the animal touched the child's hand and back. At one point, it looked as though the gorilla helped the youngster stand up.

Two witnesses said they thought the gorilla was trying to protect the boy at first before getting spooked by the screams of onlookers. The animal then picked the child up out of the moat and dragged him to another spot inside the exhibit, zoo officials said.

Fearing for the boy's life, the zoo's dangerous-animal response team shot and killed the 17-year-old ape, named Harambe.

The child, whose name was not released, was released from Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center on Saturday night, hours after the fall.

His family said in a statement Sunday that the boy was home and doing fine.

"We extend our heartfelt thanks for the quick action by



A child touches the head of a gorilla statue where flowers have been placed outside the Gorilla World exhibit at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, on Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the Cincinnati Zoo staff. We know that this was a very difficult decision for them, and that they are grieving the loss of their gorilla," the family said.

Zoo Director Thane Maynard said the gorilla didn't appear to be attacking the child but was "an extremely strong" animal in an agitated situation. He said tranquilizing the gorilla wouldn't have knocked it out immediately, leaving the boy in danger.

"They made a tough choice and they made the right choice

because they saved that little boy's life," Maynard said.

Zoo officials said the 4-year-old climbed through a barrier at the Gorilla World exhibit and dropped 15 feet into the moat Saturday afternoon. He was in there for about 10 minutes. Two female gorillas also were in the enclosure.

Zoo staff cleared the area and visitors heard gunfire a few minutes later. Firefighters then rushed into the enclosure and picked up the boy.

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What was stale is fresh once again

DOUGHNUTS

Krispy Kreme 'coming back with a vengeance'

When North Carolina-based Krispy Kreme launched in Canada in December 2001, people swarmed Toronto's Union Station for free samples and lined up around the block to wrap their lips around those sugary glazed treats. So whatever happened to the once-beloved brand north of the border?

"People ask us that all the time, but actually we never went away," says Chris Lindsay, partner and co-franchisee of Krispy Kreme's Canadian arm.

Lindsay is one of a new trio of Canadian investors who are looking to make dough again under the Krispy Kreme banner with a more measured growth plan than its original, not-so-sweet foray into the picky doughnut market here 15 years

ago.

"There was almost too much hype then," says partner Keith Stein, a former Magna executive.

Things got stale fast amid a rapid expansion. The U.S. head office also required the former Canadian division to build expensive, giant stores that were about 5,000 square feet, which quickly ate into profits. Tim Hortons on every corner didn't help either.



We are small enough to be nimble in ways others can't be.

Keith Stein

At its height over a decade ago there were 18 stores and 1,000 employees. Today there are just six locations in Canada.

It's the company's new café concept, which includes a "Hot Now" convection oven where customers have the option of

getting their doughnuts warmed up like they were just made. They also have everything from Kruffins (a muffin with a stuffed doughnut hole) and frozen drinks to a few savoury options like a bagel and cream cheese.

"This company is coming back with a vengeance," says Stein.

Two smaller Krispy Kremes are located in downtown Toronto, two in Quebec and one in B.C.

Krispy Kreme is now in 27 countries and the U.S. has 300 locations, or one quarter of the chain. The new Canadian corporate team estimates a rollout of another 50 stores with a much smaller footprint this time across Ontario and Quebec over the next few years.

Of course Tim's, with nearly 4,000 stores in Canada, won't be quaking in its Timbits, says Queen's University marketing professor Ken Wong, who sees Krispy Kreme as more of a specialty dessert chain like Mrs. Fields rather than a coffee shop.

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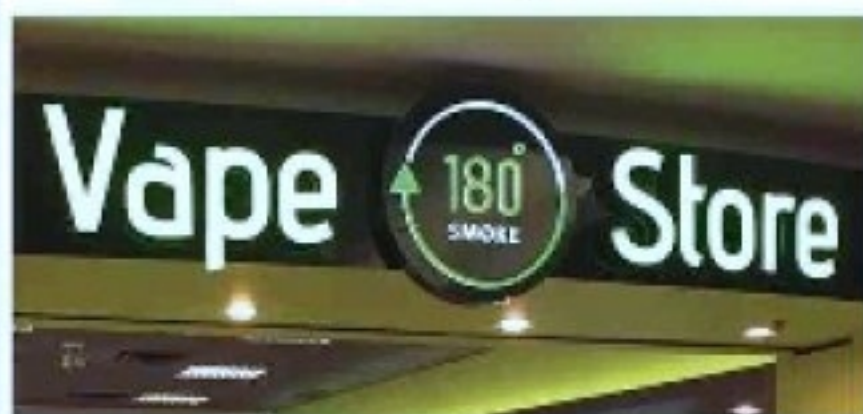


After a not-so-sweet history in Canada, Krispy Kreme is eyeing an expansion. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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A report published and carried out by Public Health England (PHE), found that "e-cigarettes are around 95% less harmful" than smoking tobacco, and that the National Health Service should consider recommending them to help people quit smoking all together."

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MONEY

Low loonie changes travel to the U.S.

Canadian travel to the United States hit a six-year low this winter as a weak loonie and lower airfares prompted more residents to visit other international destinations.

Last year's decrease of Canadian travellers to the U.S. continued in the first three months of 2016 as 4.38 million Canadian residents went across the border for at least one night, down 13 per cent from the same period in 2015 and matching a low set in 2010, according to data from Statistics Canada.

While interest in the U.S. has waned, 3.8 million Canadians travelled to other international destinations, up 6.2 per cent over the previous year and 33 per cent since 2010.

The low value of the loonie has also attracted more visitors to Canada. After holding steady for several years, American visits to Canada were up almost 20 per cent between January and March, while the number of visitors from other countries was up 10 per cent over 2015 and 26 per cent from 2010.

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has also attracted more visitors to Canada.

After holding steady for several years, American visits to Canada were up almost 20 per cent between January and March, while the number of visitors from other countries was up 10 per cent over 2015.

The strong influx of visitors provided a boon to Canadian hotels, restaurants and car rental companies, said Robert Kokonis, president of airline consulting firm Air-Trav Inc.

When the Canadian dollar hovered around parity as late as 2013, U.S. travellers were pretty much no-shows in Canada,

he said.

"So we've gotten to the point where we're seeing Americans back in Canada, so that's a nice reciprocal balance to the loss of Canadians not travelling across the border," he said in an interview.

The U.S. tourism sector has responded to the currency softness by offering deals to Canadians, including accepting the loonie at par to the U.S. dollar for some expenses. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

N.Y.C. apartment could sell for \$250 million

Billionaires' Row — that's what New York real estate experts have dubbed a lineup of a half-dozen new superluxury skyscrapers overlooking Central Park that are home to some of the world's most expensive apartments.

One penthouse in a skyscraper near Carnegie Hall that went for more than \$100 million seems almost a bargain compared to what will appear next year in a highrise being built: a 23,000-square-foot, four-story apartment offered at \$250 million. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Company apologizes for racist 'washing' ad

A Chinese detergent maker apologized for the harm caused by the spread of an ad in which a black man "washed" by its product was transformed into a fair-skinned Asian man.

Shanghai Leishang Cosmetics Ltd. Co. said it strongly shuns and condemns racial discrimination but blamed foreign media for amplifying the ad, which first appeared on Chinese social media in March. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



URBAN ETIQUETTE ELLEN VANSTONE



THE QUESTION

The guy in the cubicle next to mine is loud and disruptive to the point where my work is being adversely affected. How do I deal with this without making the wrong impression?

Dear Ellen,

I recently got a new neighbour at work. We work in the same department, but I don't really know him. He is loud, constantly has people stopping by for non-work-related issues and keeps banging into our shared cubicle wall. I don't want to seem unfriendly, but it's interfering with my work. What's the best way to deal with this?

Dee

Dear Dee,

The most effective way to deal with this is simple behaviour modification. Mount a pail of ice water above your neighbour's desk, then jerry-rig a triggering device that tips the pail over and douses him every time his voice goes above 75 decibels or he jostles your cubicle wall.

Alternatively, you could arrange a collection of precious figurines along the top edge of your shared cubicle partition, making sure they fall and smash at the slightest disturbance, then present him with the bill.

Musical chimes are also worth considering. Mount them all over your cubicle and let the torturous tinkling begin as the tremors roll in from the new guy's antics.

The possibilities are endless! And tempting. And, alas, potentially illegal.

But, worst of all, they are impolite.

As with virtually all relationship problems, your first resort must be to speak directly

to the party on the other side of the problem. This is challenging, I know. In my cowardly youth, I once left the continent for six months rather than confront a friend about a minor transgression, which I now can't even remember. A lot of us were taught from childhood to keep our traps shut and pretend everything is just fine dammit, which is a useful skill in some etiquette situations, but a terrible handicap when it comes to honest communication.

And everyone deserves honest communication — even the rampaging loud in the next cubicle. It's important to tell him that his loud conversations and partition-banging

are making it hard for you to work.

It's also important to tell him this in a non-confrontational manner. If you're afraid of appearing unfriendly, you might even bring a coffee and muffin along to the conversation, which will show you are acting in good faith and set the tone for a friendly chat.

You can also keep things civilized by beginning or ending the chat with questions about how he's doing in his new position. But you have to take a big, deep breath and mean it. Don't feign politeness. People can smell that passive-aggressive stuff a mile away, and it makes them justifiably angry, which is what you don't want. What you do

want is for this guy to realize how oblivious he's been, be sorry and attempt to change his ways.

Unfortunately, if he's truly a selfish boor, the whole honest, coffee-muffin-and-a-side-of-sincerity approach will feel like a pointless exercise. But it's not. You owe it to yourself to do the right thing first. If it doesn't work, well, all bets are off: you may, with a clear conscience, complain to co-workers about this antisocial clown, ask your supervisor for help, invoice the department for earplugs, or rig up that pail of ice water.

Need advice?
Email Ellen:
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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

Towards a complete taxonomy of Canadian summer sidewalkers

A friend was nearly bowled over the other day by a man on a mission.

"I'm just trying to walk in a straight line!" he bellowed as he pressed by.

She was unhurt, but stranded on the wrong side of the sidewalk sign outside the café she was angling for.

It didn't have to go that way. He could have simply adjusted his trajectory 30 degrees or so, and they would have both had room. But 30 degrees was just too much for him that day, it seems. And to a degree, I sympathize.

Summer is a season of many things, but few so acutely felt as sidewalk navigation. Streets that, during winter months, you had to yourself are suddenly bursting with biped meanderers; now, instead of simply going to the shops, you must first complete a complex obstacle course.

It's my belief that you can tell much about a person by the way they walk down a sidewalk.

There is the clueless walker, oblivious to all around them, like a daydreaming child. What are they looking at? It's impossible to say. But one thing they are definitely not looking at is other people, trying to get by. Who actually have things to do.

There is the daredevil walker whose every outing is a game of chicken. You lock eyes. "I see you," his say. "And I will not move." He

sets his body like battering ram, and if you dare test his mettle, you could end up bumping right into him, chest to chest.

There is the cozy couple who, by virtue of their relationship, believe they deserve to take up the full width of the sidewalk. They're not going to shimmy into single file for even a split second to avoid any oncoming traffic. They're together.

There is the abrupt stopper who seems so confused by his chosen path that he'll stop short to get his bearings. It immediately becomes clear that he has no bearings.

There is the child who can be forgiven for walking like a drunk because her brain isn't fully developed, let alone her conception of sidewalk etiquette.

Add to these: the diagonal walker, who can't pick a lane and stick to it; the capitulator, my kin, who will shift direction or even cross the street in a mix of deference (to her city-mates) and selfishness (never sacrificing her own pace).

Part of me wishes everyone would disappear. Then I'd experience less bubbling rage. But that wouldn't be very urban-minded of me. The whole point of a city is to communally partake of all that's on offer. And no matter how much you may feel you own it — no single sidewalk was built just for you.

Everyone deserves honest communication — even the rampaging loud in the next cubicle.

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Giving a voice to the voiceless

NEW RADIO SHOW

Candy Palmater is ready to bring Canada a fresh perspective

Megan Haynes

For Metro Canada



Toronto-based Candy Palmater is a bit of an overachiever: the youngest of six, she graduated law school at the top of the class and was the first Mi'kmaq to land a job at a Halifax law firm.

But that wasn't quite the right fit for Palmater, so she quit her job and ventured into comedy, taking the stage across the country. This led to a four-season TV show on the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network, and now she's joined the ranks of CBC hosts, lending her voice to the radio waves with a new two-hour daily series. Metro caught up with Palmater to hear more about what brought her to this point.

In previous interviews, you've said you've struggled not to be put into specific boxes...

It's been my lifelong quest.

I've always been somebody who colours outside the lines. It's the whole reason I stopped being a lawyer — I never felt further away from myself than



'I'm queer, a menopausal woman. I'm Mi'kmaq. There are so many things about me that make my perspective different than what you're used to hearing on national radio,' says Candy Palmater. CONTRIBUTED

when I was a lawyer.

What prompted you to get into law in the first place?

I've always had the urge to give voice to people who don't have a voice. At 25, I couldn't think of another way to do that than becoming a lawyer. I always had the notion that's where

advocacy lived. When I got to law school, there was a lot of talk that no Mi'kmaq person had ever been hired at a firm. So I drank the Kool-Aid and thought, "I have to get hired at a firm." And I was.

(But) suddenly I woke up as a lawyer and (thinking) what have I done?

How does being an entertainer help you be an advocate?

For two hours a day on the radio, my perspective will be so different than the perspective you normally hear on the radio. I'm queer, a menopausal woman. I'm Mi'kmaq. There are so many things

about me that make my perspective different than what you're used to hearing on national radio.

Why is it important to have that voice?

The country is made up of such a diverse group of people — particularly for the public broadcast-

er. People have to hear themselves reflected. There needs to be an opportunity for people to say "here's where I belong."

If your experience is never reflected to you — in movies, in books, in TV — it's very isolating.

Has anyone told you about when you inspired them?

I was at a big event (doing a) comedy show and I talked about how I met my wife. Later, I got an email from a kid who was in the audience.

He said "I was bummed about going to this (show): it was going to be all native kids, and I'm gay."

In the First Nations community we're still not embracing and open to queer culture. So he said, "I'll have to be someone else. But there you were at 8 a.m. talking about your big, gay self and everybody loved you."

He went home that night and asked his parents if they knew who Candy Palmater is, and they said yes, they knew me personally.

He asked if they knew I was gay, and they said yes. So he came out to his parents because he thought if they were OK with me being gay, they'd probably be okay with him being gay. And they were.

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'I never feel stagnant'

WHY I LIKE MY JOB

Stevie Blanchard, 28, Medical Office Assistant at Preventous Cosmetic Medicine

I always knew I would choose a career that involved helping others. I graduated from Okanagan College in British Columbia with a Unit Clerk/Medical Office Assistant diploma. There, I received extensive training in numerous areas of the medical field including transcription, medical terminology and electronic medical record systems. In addition, I participated in various workshops and obtained practicum training that helped prepare me to work in a medical setting.

The choice to work in health care came naturally to me. I wanted a career that was challenging and allowed me to make a difference, yet was flexible enough for me to spend time with family. What excites me the most is that health care is a continuously evolving field so I never feel stagnant.

Some of my duties include booking and confirming appointments, maintaining confidential medical files and records, and ensuring effective office procedures. I also really enjoy the interactions and relationships I develop with clients. Nothing makes me happier than ensuring our clients' needs are taken care of from the moment they arrive and beyond.



THE BASICS: Medical Assistant

\$39,547

Median wage of entry- to intermediate-level medical assistants. Advanced professionals in this field, such as medical office managers or executive secretaries, can earn upwards of \$60,000 annually.

+13.7%

The amount of growth expected in this field over the next 8 years

Data for this feature was provided by payscale.com, servicecanada.gc.ca, rhdoc.gc.ca, trade-schools.ca and onetonline.org.

HOW TO START

Although medical assistants don't need to obtain a specific certificate or licence to work in the field, suggested credentials include a post-secondary diploma or certificate in health care administration or medical administrative services. Programs typically span two years or less.

WHERE YOU CAN GO

An aspiring medical assistant can expect to find work in varying environments, including walk-in clinics, dental centres, nursing homes, insurance firms and public health agencies. The career outlook is particularly bright due to higher projected retirement rates and slightly above average turnover rates. Job duties have diversified to include office reception and basic accounting; however, responsibilities tend to be more advanced or management-based than those of non-medical administrative workers.

NEXT CAREER STEP

Those interested in this career path or currently seeking advancement may opt for additional training in medical terminology, patient relations, medical office software and health care policies. Generally, a medical assistant will advance progressively to a senior admin role as they gain more experience in report writing and health record maintenance, office communications and day-to-day financial matters.

MONEY MATTERS

Why the buy now, pay later deals can be a sneaky trap

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada



The Buy Now, Pay Later (BNPL) world is a way to get what you want without having to figure out what you have to give up in exchange. As if that's not dumb enough, some folks think they're smarter than the system.

There are the folks who decide to keep their money in the bank to earn interest until the due date.

They fully intend to make a

payment in full before the debt-interest clock clicks on. But then a funny thing happens. Since they have lots'n'lotsa money in the bank, people get a distorted view of their financial reality.

Seeing that money sitting there makes them feel richer than they actually are. So despite the fact that the money has already been spent, it acts as a barrier to saving more. Or worse, it gives folks the confidence to spend money they would normally save.

It's a psychological thing, and when it kicks in it can lead to

some really destructive decisions.

Then there are the guys who plan to make the monthly payments that will get them paid off by the due date. They take their total amount and divide by the number of months they have and make those payments every month. Or so they plan. But there's many a slip and this plan often goes wrong in a couple of ways:

1. If you can't abide the idea of the debt just hanging out there then there's a lot of wasted psychological energy around worrying, thinking, imagining,

while the payments are being made.

2. As soon as an unexpected expense pops up, you defer your "interest free" payment promising yourself that you'll catch up next month. Then you'll do it again. And again. Oops. Here comes the deadline, there's no money, and the rapacious interest rate kicks in retroactive to the date you took that stuff home.

BNPLs also snap shut with a wicked bite if you're even slightly off on your calculations. If you're going to use one to your advantage, cut back your re-

payment period by a couple of months.

So, if you're entering into a 15-month BNPL, you actually base your repayment schedule on 13 months to make sure you're clear of the due date well in advance.

People are always messing up, making a payment late or not having the entire balance paid in full by the due date. Those mistakes are very costly. That "No Interest" jumps to a whopping 30 per cent overnight, making moot the 1 per cent they've been earning by keeping their money

in the bank.

The biggest problem with BNPL is the ease with which people can take home stuff they have yet to pay for, making it feel like they got a special deal, and leaving them with the euphoria of purchase without the pain of payment as an off-set.

Physiologically we need this balance to help us prioritize. Removing one side of the equation lets us delude ourselves.

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"This is the most fun I've had since I've been in the league": Soon-to-be free agent centre Bismack Biyombo on the Raptors' run to the East final

Red Sox swipe Jays' brooms in extras



Blue Jays third baseman Josh Donaldson breaks his bat in frustration after hitting a pop fly on Sunday at Rogers Centre. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

MLB

Toronto slips back to .500 after winning last 4 games

The Toronto Blue Jays were staying positive following a 5-3 extra-innings loss to the Boston Red Sox on Sunday.

Dustin Pedroia's 11th-inning ground-rule double helped Boston (30-20) avoid a series sweep and snap a three-game losing skid.

Toronto (26-26) had won four straight and five of six prior to the loss.

"You keep winning series throughout the year, you're going to end up where you want to be," said Blue Jays starter R.A. Dickey. "I don't think anybody in here is discouraged. We had a great win last night. Today we had a chance at another great win, just couldn't push one across when we had to."

"We're on the right path. We still haven't hit our stride, I don't think, in the least."

Pedroia scored Blake Swihart

SUNDAY In Toronto

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RED SOX	BLUE JAYS

from third for the go-ahead run with runners on the corner. Xander Bogaerts followed it up with a ground out to second that scored Mookie Betts.

Clay Buchholz (3-5), who was making his first relief appearance since Aug. 17, 2008, which also came against the Blue Jays, pitched a scoreless inning for the win. Koji Uehara picked up his first save of the season.

Gavin Floyd (2-4) surrendered two earned runs in a third of an inning for the loss.

Toronto erased a 3-2 deficit on Edwin Encarnacion's 11th home run of the season in the eighth inning. The designated hitter took Heath Hembree's 1-0 pitch to the second deck in left field tying the game 3-3.

Jose Bautista got the Blue Jays on the board in the fifth when he hit a two-run home run off former teammate David Price.

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MEMORIAL CUP FINAL

Knights overcome Huskies in overtime

The London Knights can call themselves the best team in the Canadian Hockey League.

Matthew Tkachuk scored his second goal of the game 7:49 into overtime as the Knights captured the 2016 Memorial Cup on Sunday by downing the Rouyn-Noranda Huskies 3-2.

It's London's second Memorial Cup, with its other coming in 2005.

Christian Dvorak

also scored for the Knights, who entered the final on a 16-game win streak. Tyler Parsons made 29 saves.

London's Mitch Marner was named the tournament's most valuable player.

Francis Perron and Julien Nantel scored for the Huskies. Chase Marchand stopped 30 of 33 shots. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Mitch Marner, left, and Christian Dvorak. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Marlies fall in AHL East final

Nathan Walker scored the winning goal and the Hershey Bears captured the American Hockey League's Eastern Conference title on Sunday with a 3-2 win over the Toronto Marlies.

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Raonic ousted in Paris

Milos Raonic is out of the French Open after losing 6-2, 6-4, 6-4 to Albert Ramos-Vinolas in the fourth round on Sunday. The eighth seed had just brought on John McEnroe as his new coach. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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RECIPE Easiest Tomato Tart



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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

This simple, summery tart is elegant enough to serve to guests but easy enough to whip together for yourself.

Ready in
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 25 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 sheet of puff pastry
- 2 Tbsps olive oil, approximately
- 1 pint of cherry tomatoes
- 1/4 cup fresh basil, chopped
- 1/2 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Most puff pastries come in a package with two sheets of dough. You'll only need to use the one.

2. Tear off a 18-inch sheet of parchment paper. Place the paper on a work surface and lightly flour it. Roll the pastry out on the paper until it is an 8 by 12 inch rectangle. Carefully place the paper on a baking sheet. Use a fork to poke holes all over the dough. Take a small, sharp knife and create a border about 1/2 inch in, all around the rectangle. Be careful not to cut all the way through!

3. Drizzle the oil over the pastry. Now scatter the cheese across the dough and place tomatoes on top. Sprinkle your herbs on top and add a pinch of salt and pepper.

4. Place in a hot oven for 20 to 25 minutes until the pastry is golden and the cheese is bubbling. Allow to cool slightly before cutting.

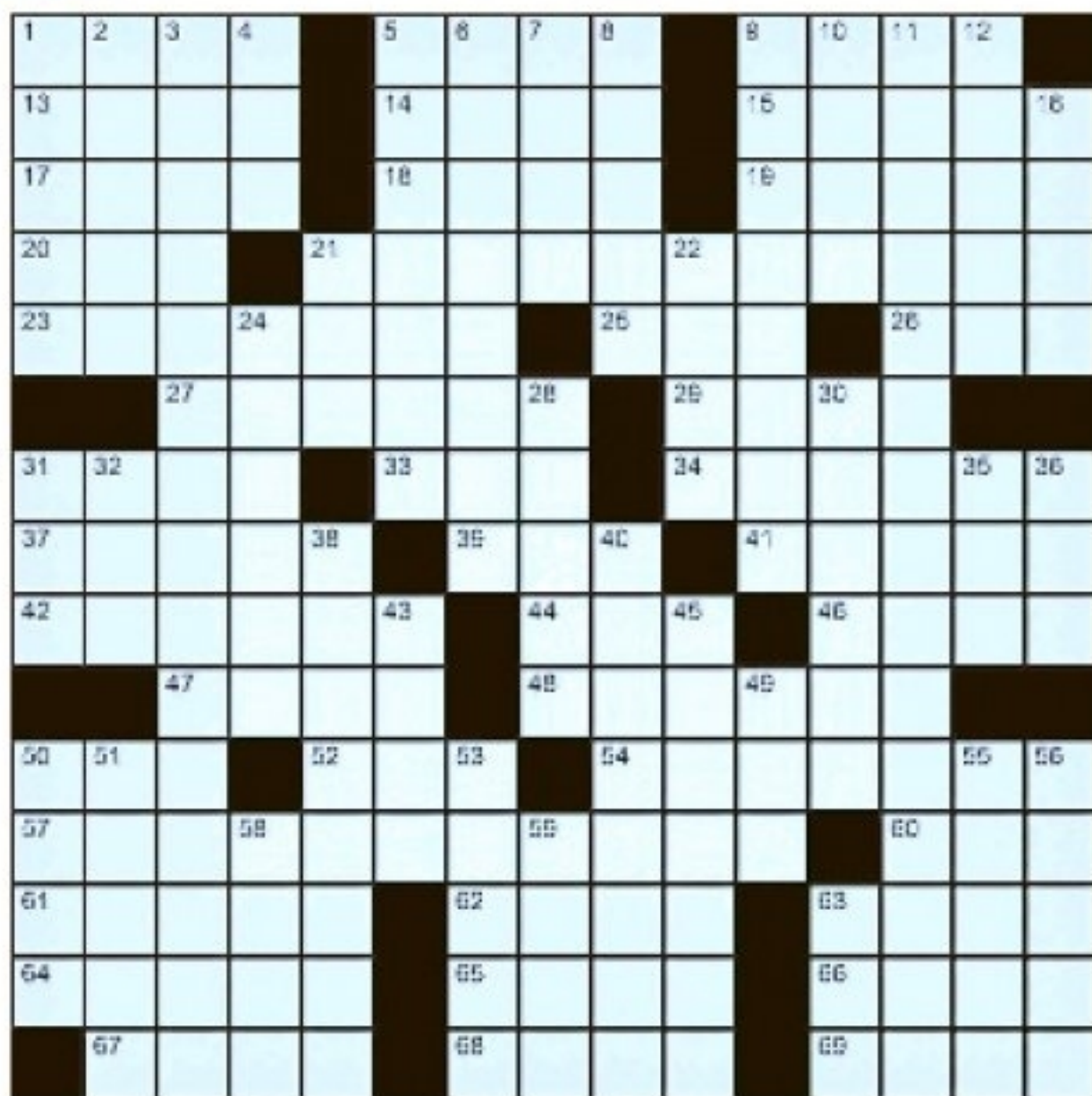
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- Canadian ice dancer, Lynn Bourne
- Naja Hajes
- Heroic verse
- Had in hand
- River of Germany
- French pronoun
- John Mellencamp's "Get __ Up"
- Terra __
- Sort
- Customers might ask for them in stores for any products without a tag on them: 2 wds.
- Around-the-clock
- Sensitive
- Writer Mr. Milne's
- "__!" (Retort to a rather clever barb)
- Retreat
- Largest freshwater lake of Japan
- 'Stock' suffix
- Particular pronoun
- Russian pancake
- Pouch
- Alexander's nickname
- In a detached manner
- Active ingred. in marijuana
- Greatest
- Comicdom's Olive, and sumamesakes
- Dr. Jason __ (Alan Thicke's "Growing Pains" role)
- "Mazel __!"
- Not specialized [abbr.]
- Progresses



- New Brunswick's provincial capital
- "Hal See __ care."
- Heretofore: 2 wds.
- Stuff
- Land unit
- A famous Tea
- Real

- Subj. with maps
- __covered iron
- Fewer
- Feudal labourer

- Gabrielle __ The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry novelist
- 2007: "Dancing with the Stars" Season 4 champ Mr. Anton Ohno
- Shania Twain's "Don't Be Stupid (Just __)"
- "Laughter in the Rain" singer...his initials-sharers
- 1979: "My __" by

- The Knack
- Chopper takeoff/landing spots
- Mr. Baldwin
- Lawn __ (Grass trimming tool)
- Grand church entrances
- Sandal or pump
- Grooming, veter-

- inarian, obedience classes, etc.: 3 wds.
- __ Spruce (Big tree along coastal British Columbia)
- Northern BC's __ River
- Liq. measures
- Tranquil
- Beer/lemonade drink
- Marsh matters
- "The Jeffersons" star Ms. Sanford
- Eng. network
- UN workers' gr.
- J.R. Ewing's portray-er's initials-sharers
- Frying pan excess
- Holler heard when the phone rings!: 3 wds.
- Fastest spotted big cats
- Flanders river
- Rollicks
- Max Sybow link
- Brand of frying pan
- Canadian figure skating great Brian
- 1979: "Making Plans for __" by XTC
- Actor Zac
- Steven Seagal movie, "Under __" (1992)
- House rooms
- 1991: "Finally" by __ Peniston
- Human's on-the-planet number

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Today you can see new sources of income or new uses for something you own because you are in a resourceful frame of mind. You will impress bosses and VIPs.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Today you are intrigued with mysteries, puzzles and finding solutions to strange problems. In a way, you have the mind of a sleuth.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Any kind of research will go well today, because your mind is probing and insightful. You want answers to old problems, and you will leave no stone unturned.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
You might attract someone powerful to you today. In any event, conversations with friends or members of groups will be intense and will focus on serious subjects.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Discussions with bosses, parents and VIPs will be intense and powerful today. You might want to pull your punches because you don't want to overwhelm anyone.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
If you are involved in talks about politics, religion or racial issues today, you might get more than you bargained for. People are intense today and will fiercely defend their beliefs and prejudices!

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You might get to the bottom of why there is a dispute over inheritances or shared property today. You will see the real reason, that behind the scenes there is conflict.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Go gently when talking to friends, spouses and partners today, because people are intense. This means they will try to persuade you to agree with them.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You can see ways to make improvements and reforms on the job today; however, others might not listen to you. Instead, focus on how you can improve your own health.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Romance is passionate today. Meanwhile, parents should be gentle with their kids, because misunderstandings might arise.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You might see ways to make improvements at home today, especially by removing something you no longer need or tearing it down. It's also a good day to recycle and streamline.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Those of you who write for a living or who are in sales and marketing will be productive today, because you have strong opinions. Not only that, you will be persuasive.

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